

PARK QUESTIONS

Can I make a reservation for a picnic?

No, not in neighborhood parks. The picnic areas are non-reservable and are on a first come, first served basis. Parks may sometimes be reserved for a major community-serving public event, requiring a special permit, but not for private parties. San José Regional Parks have picnic areas that are reservable for a fee. For information, please call 408-277-2757.

What are park hours?

Neighborhood parks are open from sunrise to one hour after sunset. Regional parks are open from 8:00am until a half hour after sunset.

What is the address of a given park?

Parks normally do not have addresses. They are located by cross streets, or a street and landmark. If a community center is located on a park, the park may be associated with that address. For a listing of park cross streets, visit our Park Listing page at www.sjparks.org.

Is alcohol allowed?

According to San José Municipal Code, alcohol is not allowed in neighborhood parks. Some Regional parks allow alcohol in limited areas.

Can I reserve a sports field or tennis court?

Yes, sports facilities are reservable for a fee. Call 408-871-3827.

Are water slides or dunk tanks allowed in parks?

No, the excessive water and activity damages the turf. However, there are several parks that have water features to enjoy.

What is the policy for dogs on a leash?

The San José Municipal Code dog ordinance states that dogs must be on a 6-foot leash and kept under control at all times. Dog owners are required to immediately clean up and remove all excrement of their dog. San José has several dog parks including, Miyuki Dog Park, Fontana Dog Park and Ryland Park. Visit our dog parks page for more information at www.sanjoseca.gov/prns.

Can I bring my own BBQ into a park?

Yes, home barbecues are allowed in most neighborhood parks in the designated cooking areas. Please dispose of briquette carefully.

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